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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and 37 C.F.R. §1.97, Applicant submits a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, including (1) page of Form PTO-1449, and a copy of two (2) documents cited therein.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d) after a final Office Action. The Commissioner is authorized to charge \$180.00, the fee set forth under 37 CFR § 1.17(p), to Account No. 50-3129. It is believed that no additional fee is required with this submission. However, should an additional fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees to Deposit Account No. 50-3129.

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Each item of information contained in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

Publications

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Remarks

This statement should not be interpreted as a representation that an exhaustive search has been conducted or that no better art exists. Moreover, Applicant invites the Examiner to make an independent evaluation of the cited art to determine its relevance to the subject matter of the present application. Applicant is of the opinion that his claims patentably distinguish over the art referred to herein, either alone or in combination.

Respectfully submitted,

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